

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 11, and 20, and cancel claims 7 and 16, as set forth in the listing of claims that follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A fuel pump module assembly for a fuel tank in a vehicle comprising:

a reservoir adapted to be disposed in the fuel tank;

a fuel pump disposed in said reservoir to pump fuel from the fuel tank to an engine of the vehicle;

a fuel filter disposed in said reservoir and having an inlet fluidly connected to said fuel pump and having a first outlet fluidly connected to the engine and a second outlet;

a jet pump body coupled to said second outlet and having a jet pump orifice; and

a regulating valve assembly coupled to the jet pump body apart from said jet pump orifice for discharging fuel to said reservoir, whereby the regulating valve controls
~~disposed in said reservoir and fluidly connected to said second outlet to control~~ fuel supply pressure to the engine.

2. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 1 including a cover adapted to close an opening in the fuel tank.

3. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 2 including a check and relief valve assembly disposed above said reservoir and operatively connected to said cover.

4. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 3 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a valve housing having a generally "T" shape.

5. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 4 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a check valve disposed in said valve housing for allowing one-way flow of fuel from said fuel filter to the engine.

6. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 5 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a relief valve disposed in said valve housing above said check valve for allowing one-way flow of fuel from the engine into the fuel tank.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 1 ⁷ including a jet pump barrel extending into a chamber of said reservoir and cooperating with an outlet of said jet pump.

9. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 1 wherein said regulating valve assembly comprises a valve housing having a passageway with a valve seat, a movable regulating valve disposed in said passageway, and a spring disposed in said passageway to urge said regulating valve toward said valve seat.

10. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 1 including a pump retainer disposed in a chamber of said reservoir to support said fuel pump therein.

11. (Currently Amended) A fuel pump module assembly for a fuel tank in a vehicle comprising:

a reservoir adapted to be disposed in the fuel tank and having a chamber therein;

a cover adapted to close an opening in the fuel tank;

a fuel pump disposed in said reservoir to pump fuel from the fuel tank to an engine of the vehicle;

a fuel filter disposed in said reservoir and having an inlet, a first outlet, and a second outlet;

a first conduit interconnecting said fuel pump and said inlet of said fuel filter;

a second conduit operatively interconnecting said first outlet of said fuel filter and said cover;

a jet pump disposed in said reservoir and fluidly connected to said second outlet, said jet pump comprising a jet pump orifice for discharging fuel to fill said reservoir with fuel; and

a regulating valve disposed in said reservoir and connected to said jet pump and fluid connected to said second outlet apart from said jet pump orifice to discharge by-pass fuel to said reservoir and thereby control fuel supply pressure.

12. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 11 including a check and relief valve assembly disposed above said reservoir and operatively connected to said cover.

13. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 12 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a valve housing having a generally “T” shape.

14. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 13 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a check valve disposed in said valve housing for allowing one-way flow of fuel from said fuel filter to the engine.

15. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 14 wherein said check and relief valve assembly comprises a relief valve disposed in said valve housing above said check valve for allowing one-way flow of fuel from the engine into the fuel tank.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 11
~~46~~ including a jet pump barrel extending into said chamber and cooperating with said
outlet.

18. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 11 wherein said
regulating valve comprises a valve housing having a passageway with a valve seat, a
movable valve member disposed in said passageway, and a spring disposed in said
passageway to urge said valve member toward said valve seat.

19. (Original) A fuel pump module assembly as set forth in claim 11 including a
pump retainer disposed in said chamber to support said fuel pump therein.

20. (Currently Amended) A fuel tank assembly for a vehicle comprising:

- a fuel tank;
- a reservoir adapted to be disposed in the fuel tank and having a chamber therein;
- a cover adapted to close an opening in the fuel tank;
- a fuel pump disposed in said reservoir to pump fuel from the fuel tank to an engine of the vehicle;
- a fuel filter disposed in said reservoir and having an inlet, a first outlet, and a second outlet, said inlet being fluidly connected to said fuel pump;
- a jet pump disposed in said reservoir and fluidly connected to said second outlet, said jet pump comprising a jet pump orifice for discharging fuel to fill said reservoir with fuel;
- a regulating valve disposed in said reservoir and connected to said jet pump and fluidly connected to said second outlet apart from the jet pump orifice to discharge by-pass fuel to said reservoir and thereby control fuel supply pressure; and
- a check and relief valve assembly disposed above said reservoir and operatively connected to said cover, said check and relief valve assembly comprising a check valve for allowing one-way flow of fuel from said fuel filter to the engine and a relief valve disposed above said check valve for allowing one-way flow of fuel from the engine into the fuel tank.